(c) The Government have planned to provide telhone facilny to the rema'ning Panchayat villages progressively by March 1995 subject to availability of resources.

TELEGRAPH OFFICE AT MECHUKA

2478. SHRI NYODEK YONGGAM : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that since 1984 Government have received many represen-tations from the Slate Government of Arunachal Pradesh regarding installation of Wireless Stations} Tellegraph office at Mechuka, West Siane District of Arunachal Pradesh: and

(b; if so, what steps are be'ng taken by Governmeni to install a telegraph office at Mechuka ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) :

(a) Yes Sir.

(,b) Provision of fhococom facility Has been proposed through Satellite during 1994-95.

INADEQUATE FACILITIES FOR PAY-MENT OF TELEPHONE BILLS IN FARIDABAD

2479. SHRI OHUFRAN AZAM : WC! the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) what is the total number of tele-phoBe connections in the Faridabad Telecom District;

(b) what are the present arrangements of making payment of telephone bills by ths subscribers 'n various sectorslcolonies and Whether they are inadequate and insufficient to cope with the present nmnber of subscribers who are made *to* wait for hours at the counter of GMT office manned by only skelton staff; and

(c) if so, what is the present arrangement to improves payment of telephone bills by the subscribers without much harassment and the steps being taken in this direction ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) Total number of telephone connections are 47537.

(b) Payment of telephone bills is ac cepted at the following places :

1. Amar Nagar Post Office.
2. Sector 16-A Branch Port Office.
3. Escorts Nagar Post Offices.
4 Ballabbgarh Post Office.
5 Sector 7 Post Office.
b. Nehru Ground Head Post Office.
7. At three counters of GMT Office, Faridabad, Sector 16.

The arrangement is adequate to cope with present number of subscribers.

(c) Does not arise in view of (b) above

INADEQUATE POST AND TELEGRAPH FACILITIES IN FARIDABAD

2480 SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) wheher is is a fact that posts and telegraphs facilities are very inadequate in the entire region of district Farkbhad Haryana;

(b) if so, what are the facts thereof awl the reasons for not taldng any actipon *to* review the present arrangements in order te improve the situation;

(c) whether it is also a fact that only one Post Office located in Sector 7 with- out telex and telgraph facility which caters to 10 lakhs of residents living in the adjoining sectors 4 to 10 where even letter boxes have not been provided to drop mail by the residents; and

(*d) it* so, what urgent measures axe proposed to be taken to improve the situation and remove the haid-sbips of residents and by when ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c) While this is trae in respect of telex and telegraph facilities there are 6 post offices in and around Sector 7 which cater to the requirements of the adjo-ning Sectors. There are also 16 letter boxes available in the surj-ounding area. Details of post offices and letter boxes available are given in the Statement. *(See* below).

(d) There is no justification at preseti for opening any further post offices or providing letter boxes in this area. However, provision of telegraph facility on Phonocom basis in the post offices in Sector 7, 8, 9 & 10 has been approved so as to improve the situation of telegraph facilities.

STATEMENT

Post Offices, in and around Sector 7, *Faridahad with Letter Bores.*

Sl. No.	Name of the Post Office	Number of Letter Boxes Provided
1.	Sector-7	6
2.	Sector-8	2
3.	Sector-9	2
4.	Sector-10	2
5.	Sector-12	1
6.	G.T. Road	3
	TOTAL	16

TELEPHONE DIRECTORY OF FARIDABAD SUBSCRIBERS

2481. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether complaints have been re-ceived regarding printing of names of Faridabad telephone subscribers in the 1992 edition of the Telephone Directory; if so, what action has been taken to mitigate the grievances of the concerned telephone subscribers and if not, what are the reasons therefor;

(b) what action has been taken against the officials of Faridabad Telephone District office, responsible for such lapses and if not, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Goverimient propose to publish a separate telephone directory for Faridabad telephone subscribers; and

(d) if so, what is the present progress n this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) The 1992 edition of Telephone Directory of MTNL, New Delhi incoiporated the names of Faridabad subscribers and some complaints pf misprints have been received from (hem. These would be corrected in the ensuing Directory of the Faridabad Telephone District.

(b) Does not arise in view of reply at (a) above.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Tenders have been received and are under evaluation.